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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANILA 0317

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, ASEAN

SUBJECT: ASEAN DEVELOPMENTS

1. PHILIPPINE OFFICIAL SOURCES HAVE CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY THAT PRESIDENT MARCOS WILL TRAVEL TO SINGAPORE, PROBABLY ON JANUARY 21, FOR TWO OR THREE DAY VISIT WITH LEE KWAN YEW. INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR ADVISES THAT THERE ARE NO RPT NO PLANS FOR MARCOS TO CONTINUE ONWARD TO JAKARTA. IN FACT, HE HAS NO RPT NO INDICATIONS CURRENTLY THAT SUHARTO AND MARCOS WILL MEET PRIOR TO ASEAN SUMMIT.

2. MARCOS TRIP TO SINGAPORE HAS UNDERMINED PLANS FOR VISIT TO PHILIPPINES BY SRI LANKA PRIME MINISTER MADAME BANDARANAIKE. DATES FOR VISIT HAD BEEN AGREED, BUT PHILIPPINES, AS OF JANUARY 5, ASKED SRI LANKA IF MADAME BANDARANAIKE'S ITINERARY COULD BE CHANGED SO THAT SHE ARRIVED HERE AT END OF HER CIRCUIT. WHEN COLOMBO
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PROPOSED NEW DATES EARLY IN FEBRUARY, THEY WERE FOUND

TO CONFLICT WITH VISIT OF UNSYG WALDHEIM TO MANILA. VISIT OF MADAME BANDARANAIKE HAS THEREFORE BEEN CONCELED. FILIPINOS NEVER SEEMED TO HAVE MUCH ENTHUSIASM FOR IT ANYWAY, SINCE THEY FELT SRI LANKA WAS TRYING TO MUSCLE INTO ASEAN.

3. ASEAN SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETINGS ARE CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS HERE IN MANILA IN FINAL EFFORT TO ESTABLISH AGENDA FOR ASEAN SUMMIT. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON CONCLUSIONS TOWARDS WEEKEND.
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